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## Family Investment Administration ACTION TRANSMITTAL

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TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF

FROM: ROSEMARY MALONE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: EXTENSION OF SUSPENDED TIME LIMITS FOR ABLE-BODIED

ADULTS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS (ABAWD)

PROGRAM AFFECTED: FOOD SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM (FSP)

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF PROGRAMS

## SUMMARY:

Last year, Maryland suspended time limits for able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWD). Guidance from the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) states that Maryland is one of 46 states that may continue operating this waiver for an additional 12 months. Maryland will extend the suspension of the three month time limit through September 30, 2015.

Please direct Food Supplement Program questions to Vera Lynch <u>vera.lynch@maryland.gov</u> or 410-767-7953 or Rick McClendon at <u>rick.mcclendon@maryland.gov</u> or 410-767-7307.

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